MAY 0 9 7006

MAY 0 9 7006

Attorney Docket: 081468-0305313

Client Reference: P-0310.020-US

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2851

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Confirmation Number: 1005

DIERICHS et al.

Application No.: 10/784,895

Group Art Unit: 2851

Filed: February 24, 2004

Examiner: Fuller, Rodney Evan

Title: LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 9, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: